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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b>			Docket No. 1248-0676P	
Application No. 10/694,748-Conf. #5416		Filing Date October 29, 2003	Examiner R. M. Gleitz	Art Unit 2852
Applicant(s): Hiroshi TACHIKI et al.				
Invention: DETACHING/ATTACHING MECHANISM AND IMAGE FORMING DEVICE				
<b>MS Amendment</b> Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.				
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>				
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Independent Claims	6	- 6 =		x
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated May 11, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.